

REMARKS

This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/932,617, which was subject to a restriction requirement that resulted in claims 1-9 and 25-29 being withdrawn. The parent application has been allowed and the issue fee has been paid. Applicant now wishes to prosecute the withdrawn claims. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Bracewell & Patterson Deposit Account No. 50-0259 (0684CG.034678/DIV).

It is believed that the above preliminary amendments are merely for the clarity of the specification and the claims. Claims 30-34 are added with the support from the originally filed specification. No new matters are added. Applicant believes that all of the claims are patentable over the prior art. Accordingly, after the Examiner completes a thorough examination and finds the claims patentable, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested in due course. Should any issue remains, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone below.

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